

LB 10  
January 25, 1973

SENATOR PROUD: Mr. President I just have an announcement to make, the Clerk has just advised me that all bills to the bill drafter must be in by 5:00 p.m. Monday night, or else the bill drafter can't have them prepared in time for introduction on the 20th day. So please be aware of that, any bills that you are intending to introduce and have not had drafted, you must have in to the bill drafter by next Monday, by 5:00 p.m.

SPEAKER: Thank you. Senator Cavanaugh apparently we have the E&R amendments to LB 10 to consider first.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Mr. President I move the adoption of the amendments to LB 10, E&R amendments to LB 10.

SPEAKER: The motion is to adopt E&R amendments to LB 10 on select file, all those in favor of the motion say aye, those opposed say no. So ordered, the amendments are adopted.

CLERK: Motion on the desk Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Read the motion.

CLERK: I move to indefinitely postpone LB 10, signed Senator Skarda.

SPEAKER: I recognize Senator Skarda.

SENATOR SKARDA: Mr. President and members I for one in the Omaha delegation can't sit back here and stab my people in the back with a two mill levy increase, it's just that pure and simple. The people that I represent can't hardly afford to live in their houses, here we're coming along and putting a two mill increase on their back and I don't believe there is a Senator in the out state excluding the Omaha delegation that would do it to any of those in their district and I certainly don't want it done to mine. I'm appreciative of one who has in the past to some extent accepted the help from the OEA and the PTA but I'm not going to stand in this body and sell my soul by no means by any type of increase like this, Now what concerns me in the past we have talked about the aged, we talked about them living in their residence and protecting something, we've talked about the deduction in property taxes, we have enacted a homestead exemption, now here we're coming around the other side of the door and we're putting two mills on the back in another direction. You're going to be confronted with school aid on top of this and I'm just wondering where it's going to stop, and I for one am going to register my protest and I want every member of the Douglas County Delegation to take particular attention to this one cause this is one that your going to have to live with the rest of your lives.

SPEAKER: We have a (inaudible) Senator Skarda's motion to indefinitely postpone LB 10. The Chair recognizes Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President, members of the body, first of all I can sympathize with what Senator Skarda has said about not wishing to have to place more taxes on the back of anyone, I think none of us wish to place taxes on anyone, but I'd like to go back if I might and call attention to the bill and call attention to a few other things for the benefit, especially of new Senators who have not been here the last two years, this is going to take a minute or two and I'd appreciate your undivided attention because I consider this extremely important. First of all we have a constitution that says you shall underline shall, educate the children of this State, they have no choice. They are forced to go to school. Now we may have libraries, we may have parks, we may have roads, but we shall have schools. Now I did not design the previous legislation that set a four mill levy on building schools in Omaha, I do not know how it came about. I do know this, there are over 250 portable class